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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 1733
PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q62556

Yasuo OHSAWA

Appln. No.: 09/777,653

Group Art Unit: 1733

Confirmation No.: 9224

Examiner: Steven D. MAKI

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 22, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For						
All Claims	24	-	24	=		X	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent	5	-	3	=	2	X	\$84.00	=	\$168.00
TOTAL								=	\$168.00

Please charge the statutory fee of \$168.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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